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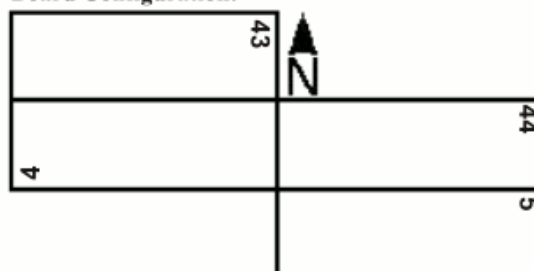
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13 APRIL, 1940, EAST OF ASKIM, NORWAY: On the previous day, the Germans managed to cross the Glåma river. After some sharp fights during the first half of the following day, the Landers cleared the western approaches of Askim. At the beginning of the afternoon, the small town was taken. However the Norwegians had managed to evacuate their artillery to the east. All that was left between the German infantry – which made use of improvised motorisation – and Mysen were some independent Norwegian MG teams, mounted on trucks. Some artillery could be deployed at a distance from the road, to try to delay the aggressors' advance.

There was no illusion to feed : the Germans would not be stopped. But slowing them down could perhaps help the remnants of the Norwegian forces in the Ostfold to reorganize for the last ditch defense – especially as the enemy was also coming south towards Mysen. Here is the story of Mysen men

Board Configuration:

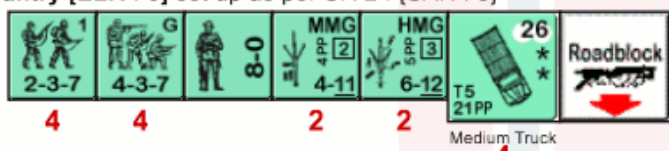


VICTORY CONDITIONS: The Germans win immediately if they exit ≥ 20 VP east through 5A6. Only vehicles and German passengers count (prisoners don't count and captured trucks are only worth 1 EVP)

Norwegians setup first. Balance: add a 8-1 leader to the Norwegian OB

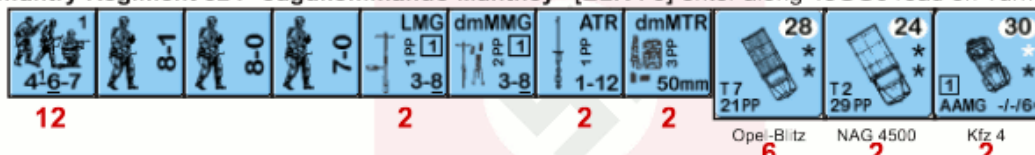
Norwegian Independent HMG teams and assisting Infantry [ELR : 3] set up as per SR 2 : {SAN : 3}

"Offboard direct fire Gun" – see SR4



Germans moves first. Balance: exchange the 8-0 leader for a 9-1 one

Elements of 2nd bat., Infantry Regiment 362 (Maj. Wilck) and of mot. Streifabteilung of 1st bat. Infantry Regiment 324 "Jagdkommando Manthey" [ELR : 3] enter along 43GG6 road on Turn 1 : {SAN : 2}



SSR:

1. EC are moderate, with no wind at start. Shellholes don't exist. Buildings only have a ground level. Kindling and Boresighting are NA.
2. The Norwegian sets up one "MG team" per board (on boards 4 and 43 : east of hexrow Q), consisting in 1.5 squad equivalents, an MMG/HMG and a Medium truck. The trucks must set up adjacent to (or in the same Location as) an MMC and may not move if not carrying passengers (even if captured). The leader and the roadblock can be setup anywhere. Norwegian MMC, SMC and possessed SW may set up as passengers.
3. The Roadblock is a hasty roadblock; all Roadblock rules apply to it (B29), except that its TEM (and any extension) is equal to that of a hedge in all respects and that Clearance (as per B24.76) is

automatically successful.

4. During setup, the Norwegian secretly records a (half-) hex on the northern edge of board 44. An "offboard" Feltkanon/M01 (cf. wz. 97 75 ART, Allied Minor Ordnance note 28) direct fires from that hex, at 2nd Level. Normal direct fire rules apply, except as listed hereafter : the Gun adds 18 hexes to the range measured from the chosen (half-) hex, for TH and Blind Hex calculation and case A TH DRM is NA. It only fires HE. It may not be fired upon. No LOS may be drawn to board 43, half hexes shared with board 4 included. Once this "offboard Gun" fires, the chosen hex is revealed (even if not yet in German LOS) and the Norwegian player can find useful to place an appropriate ART counter on it.

AFTERMATH: The Germans, led by Maj. Wilck, managed to push their way along the Askimveien. Beginning their move at about 4 pm, they reached the Monakrysset crossing at 9 pm and entered Mysen at 10.

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